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Dear Reader:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Stillwater Field Office (SFO) has prepared a preliminary Environmental Assessment (EA) for proposed wild horse and burro gathers in the Garfield Flat and Marietta Herd Management Areas (HMA). The Garfield Flat gather will focus primarily on capturing, vaccinating mares with a contraceptive (PZP-22) and releasing the wild horses back into the HMA. The wild horse population in the Garfield HMA has increased above the Animal Management Level (AML) and excess wild horses would be removed from inside and outside of the HMA. The Marietta gather will focus primarily on removing excess wild burros and horses. All horses with home ranges established outside of the Garfield HMA would be removed and placed into the adoption program or long term holding pastures.

A copy of this EA can be found at:

http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/carson_city_field/blm_information/nepa.html

Should you wish for your comments to be considered in the final analysis they must be received by this office no later than October 26, 2011. They can be mailed to BLM, Carson City Field Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Rd. Carson City, NV 89701, faxed to 775-885-6147 or emailed to: GarfieldEA2011@blm.gov. Please note that only the email comments received through the identified email address will be considered.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Kramer at skramer@blm.gov, 775-885-6005.

Sincerely,

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